

**City of Portland/Merrill Auditorium
Cumberland County
Portland, Maine
A-987-71-A-N**

**Departmental
Findings of Fact and Order
Air Emission License
After-the-Fact**

After review of the air emissions license application, staff investigation reports and other documents in the applicant's file in the Bureau of Air Quality, pursuant to 38 M.R.S.A., § 344 and § 590, the Department finds the following facts:

I. REGISTRATION

A. Introduction

The City of Portland/Merrill Auditorium (Merrill) located in Portland, Maine has applied for a new air emissions license for the central heating plant that provides heat and hot water to both Merrill Auditorium and Portland City Hall.

B. Emission Equipment

The following equipment is addressed in this air emission license:

Fuel Burning Equipment

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Maximum Capacity (MMBtu/hr)</u>	<u>Maximum Firing Rate (gal/hr)</u>	<u>Fuel Type *</u>	<u>Stack #</u>
Boiler #1	5.5	39.6	#2 fuel oil	1
Boiler #2	5.5	39.6	#2 fuel oil	1

* meets the criteria in ASTM D396 for #2 fuel oil

Electrical Generation Equipment

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Horsepower (kW)</u>	<u>Maximum Capacity (MMBtu/hr)</u>	<u>Firing Rate (gal/hr)</u>	<u>Fuel Type, % sulfur</u>
Generator #1	200	1.7	12.4	diesel fuel, 0.05%

C. Application Classification

Merrill is classified as an existing source that is applying for its first air emission license, after the fact. The Department has determined the facility is a minor source and the application has been processed through Major and Minor Source Air Emission License Regulations, 06-096 CMR 115 (last amended December 24, 2005).

II. BEST PRACTICAL TREATMENT (BPT)

A. Introduction

In order to receive a license the applicant must control emissions from each unit to a level considered by the Department to represent Best Practical Treatment (BPT), as defined in Definitions Regulation, 06-096 CMR 100 (last amended December 24, 2005). Separate control requirement categories exist for new and existing equipment as well as for those sources located in designated non-attainment areas.

BPT for an after-the-fact renewal requires an analysis similar to a Best Available Control Technology analysis per 06-096 CMR 115.

B. Boilers #1 and 2

Merrill operates two oil fired boilers for heating purposes to both the auditorium and Portland City Hall. Boiler #1 was installed in 1978 and Boiler #2 was installed in 1996. Both boilers have maximum heat inputs less than 10 MMBtu/hr, therefore, these boilers are not subject to New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) Subpart Dc for steam generating units greater than 10 MMBtu/hr manufactured after June 9, 1989.

A summary of the BACT analysis for the boilers is the following:

1. The total fuel use for the facility shall not exceed 100,000 gal/year of #2 fuel oil based on a 12 month rolling total.
2. The SO₂ emission limits are based on the firing of fuel which meets the criteria in ASTM D396 for #2 fuel oil.
3. Fuel Burning Equipment Particulate Emission Standard, 06-096 CMR 103 (last amended November 3, 1990) regulates PM emission limits, however the BACT limit of 0.08 lb/MMBtu is more restrictive. The PM₁₀ limits are derived from the PM limits.
4. NO_x emission limits are based on data from similar #2 fired boilers of this size and age.

5. CO and VOC emission limits are based upon AP-42 data dated 9/98.
6. Visible emissions from the boilers shall not exceed 20% opacity on a six (6) minute block average, except for no more than one (1) six (6) minute block average in a continuous 3-hour period.

C. Back-up Generator

Merrill operates one back-up diesel generator. Back-up generators are only to be operated for maintenance purposes and for situations arising from sudden and reasonably unforeseeable events beyond the control of the source. Back-up generators are not to be used for prime power when reliable offsite power is available or to respond to ISO New England OP-4 events.

A summary of the BACT analysis for Generator #1 (200 kW) is the following:

1. The back-up generator shall fire only diesel fuel with a maximum sulfur content not to exceed 0.05% by weight.
2. The back-up generator shall be limited to 500 hr/yr of operation based on a 12 month rolling total. Compliance shall be demonstrated by a written log of all generator operating hours.
3. 06-096 CMR 106 regulates fuel sulfur content, however in this case a BPT analysis for SO₂ determined a more stringent limit of 0.05% was appropriate and shall be used.
4. 06-096 CMR 103 regulates PM emission limits for Generator #1; the PM₁₀ limit for the generator is derived from PM limit.
5. NO_x, CO, and VOC emission limits are based upon AP-42 data dated 10/96.
6. Visible emissions from the back-up generator shall not exceed 20% opacity on a six (6) minute block average, except for no more than two (2) six (6) minute block averages in a continuous 3-hour period.

D. Annual Emissions

Merrill shall be restricted to the following annual emissions, based on a 12 month rolling total:

Total Licensed Annual Emissions for the Facility
Tons/year
(used to calculate the annual license fee)

	PM	PM₁₀	SO₂	NO_x	CO	VOC
Boiler #1	0.5	0.5	3.5	2.8	0.3	0.1
Boiler #2	0.5	0.5	3.5	2.8	0.3	0.1
Generator #1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.9	0.4	0.2
Total TPY	1.1	1.3	7.1	7.5	1.0	0.4

III.AMBIENT AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS

According to 06-096 CMR 115, the level of air quality analyses required for a minor new source shall be determined on a case-by case basis.

Based on the information available in the file, and the similarity to existing sources, Maine Ambient Air Quality Standards (MAAQS) will not be violated by this source.

ORDER

Based on the above Findings and subject to conditions listed below, the Department concludes that the emissions from this source:

- will receive Best Practical Treatment,
- will not violate applicable emission standards,
- will not violate applicable ambient air quality standards in conjunction with emissions from other sources.

The Department hereby grants Air Emission License A-987-71-A-N subject to the following conditions.

Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision, or part thereof, of this License shall not affect the remainder of the provision or any other provisions. This License shall be construed and enforced in all respects as if such invalid or unenforceable provision or part thereof had been omitted.

STANDARD CONDITIONS

- (1) Employees and authorized representatives of the Department shall be allowed access to the licensee's premises during business hours, or any time during which any emissions units are in operation, and at such other times as the Department deems necessary for the purpose of performing tests, collecting samples, conducting inspections, or examining and copying records relating to emissions (38 M.R.S.A. §347-C).
- (2) The licensee shall acquire a new or amended air emission license prior to commencing construction of a modification, unless specifically provided for in Chapter 115. [06-096 CMR 115]
- (3) Approval to construct shall become invalid if the source has not commenced construction within eighteen (18) months after receipt of such approval or if

- construction is discontinued for a period of eighteen (18) months or more. The Department may extend this time period upon a satisfactory showing that an extension is justified, but may condition such extension upon a review of either the control technology analysis or the ambient air quality standards analysis, or both. [06-096 CMR 115]
- (4) The licensee shall establish and maintain a continuing program of best management practices for suppression of fugitive particulate matter during any period of construction, reconstruction, or operation which may result in fugitive dust, and shall submit a description of the program to the Department upon request. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (5) The licensee shall pay the annual air emission license fee to the Department, calculated pursuant to Title 38 M.R.S.A. §353. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (6) The license does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (7) The licensee shall maintain and operate all emission units and air pollution systems required by the air emission license in a manner consistent with good air pollution control practice for minimizing emissions. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (8) The licensee shall maintain sufficient records to accurately document compliance with emission standards and license conditions and shall maintain such records for a minimum of six (6) years. The records shall be submitted to the Department upon written request. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (9) The licensee shall comply with all terms and conditions of the air emission license. The filing of an appeal by the licensee, the notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance by the licensee, or the filing of an application by the licensee for a renewal of a license or amendment shall not stay any condition of the license. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (10) The licensee may not use as a defense in an enforcement action that the disruption, cessation, or reduction of licensed operations would have been necessary in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of the air emission license. [06-096 CMR 115]
 - (11) In accordance with the Department's air emission compliance test protocol and 40 CFR Part 60 or other method approved or required by the Department, the licensee shall:

- A. perform stack testing to demonstrate compliance with the applicable emission standards under circumstances representative of the facility's normal process and operating conditions:
 - 1. within sixty (60) calendar days of receipt of a notification to test from the Department or EPA, if visible emissions, equipment operating parameters, staff inspection, air monitoring or other cause indicate to the Department that equipment may be operating out of compliance with emission standards or license conditions; or
 - 2. pursuant to any other requirement of this license to perform stack testing.
 - B. install or make provisions to install test ports that meet the criteria of 40 CFR Part 60, Appendix A, and test platforms, if necessary, and other accommodations necessary to allow emission testing; and
 - C. submit a written report to the Department within thirty (30) days from date of test completion.
- [06-096 CMR 115]
- (12) If the results of a stack test performed under circumstances representative of the facility's normal process and operating conditions indicate emissions in excess of the applicable standards, then:
- A. within thirty (30) days following receipt of such test results, the licensee shall re-test the non-complying emission source under circumstances representative of the facility's normal process and operating conditions and in accordance with the Department's air emission compliance test protocol and 40 CFR Part 60 or other method approved or required by the Department; and
 - B. the days of violation shall be presumed to include the date of stack test and each and every day of operation thereafter until compliance is demonstrated under normal and representative process and operating conditions, except to the extent that the facility can prove to the satisfaction of the Department that there were intervening days during which no violation occurred or that the violation was not continuing in nature; and
 - C. the licensee may, upon the approval of the Department following the successful demonstration of compliance at alternative load conditions, operate under such alternative load conditions on an interim basis prior to a demonstration of compliance under normal and representative process and operating conditions.
- [06-096 CMR 115]
- (13) Notwithstanding any other provisions in the State Implementation Plan approved by the EPA or Section 114(a) of the CAA, any credible evidence may be used for the purpose of establishing whether a person has violated or is in violation of any statute, regulation, or Part 70 license requirement. [06-096 CMR 115]

- (14) The licensee shall maintain records of malfunctions, failures, downtime, and any other similar change in operation of air pollution control systems or the emissions unit itself that would affect emission and that is not consistent with the terms and conditions of the air emission license. The licensee shall notify the Department within two (2) days or the next state working day, whichever is later, of such occasions where such changes result in an increase of emissions. The licensee shall report all excess emissions in the units of the applicable emission limitation. [06-096 CMR 115]
- (15) Upon written request from the Department, the licensee shall establish and maintain such records, make such reports, install, use and maintain such monitoring equipment, sample such emissions (in accordance with such methods, at such locations, at such intervals, and in such a manner as the Department shall prescribe), and provide other information as the Department may reasonably require to determine the licensee's compliance status. [06-096 CMR 115]

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

(16) **Boilers**

- A. Total fuel use for the boilers shall not exceed 100,000 gallons per year. The #2 fuel oil shall meet the criteria in ASTM D396. Compliance shall be demonstrated by fuel records from the supplier showing the quantity of fuel delivered and fuel type. Records of annual fuel use shall be kept on a 12-month rolling total basis. [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]
- B. Emissions shall not exceed the following:

Emission Unit	Pollutant	lb/MMBtu	Origin and Authority
Boiler #1	PM	0.08	06-096 CMR 115, BACT
Boiler #2	PM	0.08	06-096 CMR 115, BACT

- C. Emissions shall not exceed the following [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]:

Emission Unit	PM (lb/hr)	PM₁₀ (lb/hr)	SO₂ (lb/hr)	NO_x (lb/hr)	CO (lb/hr)	VOC (lb/hr)
Boiler #1	0.44	0.44	2.77	2.20	0.20	0.01
Boiler #2	0.44	0.44	2.77	2.20	0.20	0.01

- D. Visible emissions from the common stack for Boiler #1 and Boiler #2 shall not exceed 20% opacity on a six (6) minute block average, except for no more than two (2) six (6) minute block averages in a continuous 3-hour period. [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]

(17) **Back-up Generator**

- A. Merrill shall limit the Back-up Generator to 500 hr/yr of operation (based on a 12 month rolling total). An hour meter shall be maintained and operated on each Back-up Generator. [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]
- B. Generator #1 shall only to be operated for maintenance purposes and for situations arising from sudden and reasonably unforeseeable events beyond the control of the source. Generator #1 shall not to be used for prime power when reliable offsite power is available or for OP-4 events. A log shall be maintained documenting the date, time, and reason for operation. [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]
- C. The Back-up Generator shall fire diesel fuel with a sulfur limit not to exceed 0.05% by weight. Compliance shall be based on fuel records from the supplier showing the quantity and type of fuel delivered. [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]
- D. Emissions shall not exceed the following:

Emission Unit	Pollutant	lb/MMBtu	Origin and Authority
Generator #1	PM	0.12	06-096 CMR 103(2)(B)(1)(a)

- E. Emissions shall not exceed the following [06-096 CMR 115, BPT]:

Emission Unit	PM (lb/hr)	PM ₁₀ (lb/hr)	SO ₂ (lb/hr)	NO _x (lb/hr)	CO (lb/hr)	VOC (lb/hr)
Generator #1	0.2	0.2	0.1	7.5	1.6	0.6

- F. Visible emissions from the Back-up Generator shall each not exceed 20% opacity on a six (6) minute block average, except for no more than two (2) six (6) minute block averages in a continuous 3-hour period. [06-096 CMR 101]

- (18) Merrill shall notify the Department within 48 hours and submit a report to the Department on a quarterly basis if a malfunction or breakdown in any component causes a violation of any emission standard (38 M.R.S.A. §605).

DONE AND DATED IN AUGUSTA, MAINE THIS 25th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2008.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

BY: _____
DAVID P. LITTELL, COMMISSIONER

The term of this license shall be five (5) years from the signature date above.

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES

Date of initial receipt of application: 11/9/07

Date of application acceptance: 1/14/08

Date filed with the Board of Environmental Protection: February 26, 2008

This Order prepared by Edwin Cousins, Bureau of Air Quality.